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## May Winter Wheat Forecast

### Oregon

Winter wheat production in Oregon is forecast at 46.2 million bushels, down from 47.6 million bushels last year. Acreage to be harvested for grain is expected to be 840 thousand acres, an increase of 60,000 acres from last year. Average yield is forecast at 55 bushels per harvested acre, down 6 bushels when compared to last year's final yield.

### Pacific Northwest

Pacific Northwest (Oregon, Idaho, and Washington) winter wheat production is expected to total 237.7 million bushels, up from 227.8 million bushels in 2004. Acreage to be harvested for grain is estimated at 3.4 million acres, up 8 percent from last year.

### United States

Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.59 billion bushels, up 6 percent from 2004. The U.S. yield is forecast at 45.4 bushels per acre, 1.9 bushels higher than last year. Area to be harvested for grain is expected to total 35.1 million acres, up 2 percent from last season.

These forecasts are based on conditions as of May 1. A sample of producers from across Oregon provide acreage reports and yield projections reflecting this period. This is the first forecast of the season for winter wheat. The next one will be issued on June 10. The first spring wheat forecast will be available on July 12.

### Winter wheat: Acres harvested, yield and production for the Pacific Northwest<sup>1</sup> and the United States, 2004 and forecasted May 1, 2005

State/area	Area harvested			Yield		Production		
	2004	Forecast 2005	2005/2004	2004	Forecast 2005	2004	Forecast 2005	2005/2004
Oregon	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	Percent	Bushels	Bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	Percent
Idaho	780	840	108	61.0	55.0	47,580	46,200	97
Washington	700	730	104	90.0	90.0	63,000	65,700	104
Pacific Northwest	1,750	1,850	106	67.0	68.0	117,250	125,800	107
United States	3,230	3,420	106	-	-	227,830	237,700	104
	<b>34,462</b>	<b>35,069</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>43.5</b>	<b>45.4</b>	<b>1,499,434</b>	<b>1,590,862</b>	<b>106</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes Oregon, Idaho, and Washington.